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# THE XAVIER UNIVERSITY NEWSWIRE

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## SAC to reform event planning

### Failure to book fall concert highlights need for change

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Feature News Editor

For the first time since the late 90s, Xavier students will “more than likely” be without a fall concert in Cintas Center.

Halfway through the 2007-2008 academic year, there are no apparent plans for the traditional fall concert normally organized by the Special Events Committee of the Student Activities Council (SAC).

When asked whether or not there will be a fall concert, Special Events Chair Ben Hewett did not provide a definite response, saying that there may still be a chance for the fall concert.

Other sources within SAC echoed Hewett’s senti-

to find a new system which will accomplish that goal, which will probably be an established concert promoter.”

The members of SAC have learned some tough lessons from the fall concert difficulties.

“Obviously, this process could have been started back in the beginning of the summer, but we were unaware of the opportunities we had with an established concert promoter versus a middle agent until little over a month ago,” said Hewett.

“When we found out that a different avenue was available to us, we immediately began working toward the goal we’ve wanted to accomplish for so long in or-

der to best benefit the students at Xavier.”

If there isn’t a fall concert, SAC does plan on providing a concert or

comedy performance in the spring.

“Everyone in SGA is working long and hard to change the processes to greater benefit future Xavier students,” said Hewett.

Despite SAC’s positive attitude, many students aren’t happy with the lack of a fall concert.

“I’m pretty upset. I’ve always looked forward to going to the fall concert,” said senior Chris Ratterman. “Before they weren’t giving us good concerts, now they aren’t giving us any concerts.”

“While I understand that members of SAC work very hard, it’s unfortunate that they are unable to use their resources to provide students with a fall concert,” said senior Farrell Kukucka.

“We are currently trying to find a new system which will [get big-name events].”

-Ben Hewett

What exactly is holding back SAC from scheduling a fall concert for the students?

One of the main barriers in the way of a concert is money, according to SAC. Currently SAC and SGA are working on restructuring SAC’s finances to allow more money to be allocated to bring the best available events to campus.

Another issue has been SAC’s use of a booking agent instead of an established concert promoter.

“The system for securing artists that is currently in place is not conducive to providing “big-name” concerts for the students, a goal of the Special Events Committee, SAC and SGA as a whole for the past three years,” said Hewett.

“We are currently trying

## Demolition delayed to December



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY ERIKA BRESEE

The Zumbiel Packaging plant, originally slated for demolition in early October, will be towering over Xavier for at least another month. Xavier’s Vice President of Public Relations, Kelly Leon, stated that the plant will be demolished “on a Saturday in December.” For many, Zumbiel’s implosion will symbolize the true beginning of Xavier’s campus expansion project. Plans for an event to celebrate Zumbiel’s demolition are still being discussed.

## Mind your P(oint)s and Q(ueue)s

### New system for Crosstown Shootout ticket distribution

MEGAN JACOBS

Staff Writer

A rumor has been spreading throughout campus that the X-treme Fans now have a new point system that allows those who have attended games to earn points and jump the line at the Crosstown campout.

But this rumor is not completely true. While there is a new point system being instated, it is not being used to let students jump in front of those who have been camped out for hours in the cold.

According to the X-treme Fans’ guidelines, each member is required to attend a minimum of six of the 25 designated games to remain in the club.

As members, students are given rewards, such as free T-shirts, seats at the games and this year a chance to become first in line for the much coveted tickets to the Crosstown Shootout.

“No one is jumping in



NEWSWIRE ARCHIVE PHOTO

Students line up outside the Cintas Center for tickets to the Crosstown Shootout in 2005.

line” said X-treme Fans’ Women’s Soccer Chair Kevin Sauer. “The point system is used for the fact that when there is a tie between two groups to stand in line for the tickets, the points will determine who will be first.”

The X-treme Fans’ board members have learned from past years that they need a better system for handing out the NCAA tickets.

“The only reason [for the point system] is because two years ago, the Crosstown campout started at 8:00 a.m. on Friday; people started lining up at 1 and 2 a.m. and there would be five or six groups there at a time and there was a lottery to see who got first in line,” said Matt Robinson, Vice President of X-treme Fans.

For those thinking the X-treme Fans’ board is holding

back information, they are just now publicizing the new points system tiebreaker.

“The campout is not until December,” Robinson said. “We had the meeting [last] Wednesday. As for publicizing the system, we haven’t had the chance to do that yet.”

Since there is no line-jumping, all students will have to arrive early and wait for the tickets like years past.

The only difference is that instead of having a lottery to decide who’s first, the point system will be used.

“This year we are going to start the campout at 8 a.m. and however many groups are there, we will add their points and that will decide which group gets first and second and so on,” said Robinson.

Other than changing the way the first in line is decided, the procedure for the Crosstown camp out should stay the same.

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BRIEFS

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Leadership meeting

The Peer Leadership team will be having a meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 3:30 p.m. in the Faces of the World Lounge on the second floor of GSC. Contact mckinneys1@xavier.edu or call x2872 for more information.

Fall concert

The Xavier University Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble will be sharing the stage of the Gallagher Center Theater on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 7:30-9 p.m. to present their fall concerts. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$5 for all others. For more information, contact tatmant@xavier.edu or call x3801.

Advertising speaker

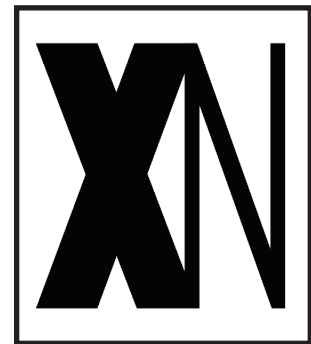
Dan Rapp will be speaking on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 7-9 p.m. in GSC room 214. Mr. Rapp is a copywriter at Northlich Advertising and will share his experiences with the advertising industry and creative writing. He has also planned a short activity and will counsel students about their futures. Contact Algis Aukstuolis at aukstuolisaj@xavier.edu for more information.

M.Ed session

The Xavier University School of Education is hosting a M.Ed. information session Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 6-8 p.m. in the Schiff Family Conference Center. All graduate education programs will be highlighted. Please register at <http://em.422x.com/xavieru/graduateadmissions/events.aspx>. For more information, contact the Graduate Services Office at xugrad@xavier.edu or x3360.

Music festival

There will be a fall music festival featuring the Xavier Women's Chorus, Edgecliff Vocal Ensemble and Concert Choir on Friday, Oct. 26 from 7:30-9 p.m. in Bellarmine Chapel. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$5 for all others. Call x3135 for more information.



Teacher Feature: Dr. Michael Goldweber

MEGAN JACOBS  
Staff Writer

When students first enter Dr. Michael Goldweber's class, they may be intimidated by the number of degrees he has. After all, he does have a B.A. in Mathematics and Computer Science, as well as an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Computer Science.

But this professor, sometimes called MikeyG, is anything but intimidating. He shares his opinions, computers and even clears up some of the misconceptions people have about computer science majors.

**Q: If you weren't a teacher, what would you do with your computer science education?**  
A: Make a lot more money.

**Q: What did you want to be when you were little?**  
A: An astronaut.

**Q: What is your biggest pet peeve when it comes to students?**  
A: When they show up for class. It is a lot easier when they stay home.

**Q: How did you become interested in studying computer science?**  
A: I liked math, and computer science is like math but cooler.

**Q: What is your favorite thing about Xavier?**  
A: The paycheck.

**Q: What is your least favorite thing about Xavier?**  
A: The paycheck.

**Q: What was the hardest part about college for you?**  
A: Being poor.

**Q: If you were a contestant on "Survivor," what one thing would you bring that you can't live without?**  
A: "Never travel without a towel."

**Q: What is the most common misconception about computer science majors?**  
A: People think that we have more fun than everyone else when we really have just as much fun as everyone else.

**Q: Can computer science majors fix VCRs or DVD players?**  
A: Physicists don't fix telephones.

**Q: What are some of your favorite computer games?**  
A: Snood.

**Q: How do you feel about students downloading music?**  
A: "What? There's gambling going on here?"

**Q: What is the best job you can find with a degree in computer science?**  
A: One where you can use your knowledge to better the world. If not, you can become Bill Gates and be the richest man in the world.

**Q: What is your favorite book?**  
A: Lord of the Rings.

**Q: What is your favorite computer part?**  
A: The off button.

**Q: Do you prefer Mac or Windows?**  
A: Mac because it works.



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**Q: What do you do with your free time when you are not teaching or helping students?**  
A: I spend time with my family.

**Q: Do you have any advice for your students?**  
A: Unmarked bills, large suitcase.

**Q: Is there anything else you think your students should know about you?**  
A: Always laugh at my jokes.

Volleyball "digs for a cure"

ELIZABETH SULLIVAN  
Assistant Campus News Editor

The Xavier volleyball team raised money for breast cancer research at the "Dig for the Cure" fundraising event sponsored by the Atlantic-10 and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation

The team asked donators to pledge a certain amount of money for every dig the volleyball team made during their home game against Dayton on Friday, Oct. 19, said sophomore player Kelly Ruth.

The team also sold pink shirts for fans to wear to the event. The T-shirts were sold both on campus and at Kroger's.



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Ruth said that the team raised over \$1,700 and that several other A-10 schools have also participated in the fundraiser.

The "Dig for the Cure" event was created by the Charlotte 49ers volleyball program, who dedicate one home match a year to the cause.

Charlotte Head Coach Lisa Matson, whose mother is a breast cancer survivor, said that the program began "to honor breast cancer survivors around the world."

"I am really pleased that we have teams involved besides just our conference schools. I hope it can become a fundraising competition between conferences," she said.

Several other volleyball programs have followed suit by hosting their own "Dig for the Cure" games, including Xavier, Duquesne and Rhode Island. There will be a total of 20 "Dig for the Cure" games this year, with more planned for next season.

Most of the "Dig for the Cure" matches will take place in October, national breast cancer awareness month.

The team beat the previously undefeated Dayton Flyers, making over 30 digs throughout the night.

POLICE NOTES

**Oct. 16, 3:50 a.m.-** A non-student possibly living in the Village was escorted off campus and warned not to return.

**Oct. 16, 10:00 p.m.-** Campus Police and Residence Life cited a student for smoking marijuana in a residence hall. A small amount of drug paraphernalia and alcohol were also confiscated.

**Oct. 17, 4:00 p.m.-** A student reported harassment by two other students.

**Oct. 21, 2:45 a.m.-** Campus Police and Residence Life investigated a roommate dispute in the Commons. A non-student was escorted off campus for visitation violations.

**Oct. 21, 11:11 a.m.-** A student reported that his bicycle had been stolen from a bike rack outside Alter Hall.

**Oct. 21, 2:16 p.m.-** A student reported damage to his vehicle in the South lot. The driver side door had been struck with a rock.

**Oct. 21, 2:31 p.m. -** A juvenile who had stolen a bicycle from the academic mall was arrested for trespassing, theft and carrying a concealed weapon. The juvenile had been arrested and banned from campus on several previous occasions.

Police Note of the Week

**Oct. 20, 12:13 a.m.-** A student who dropped a bottle of alcohol after seeing an officer on the residential mall was cited for underage consumption. A second student who tried to impede the officer was also cited.





# Dangerous conditions secured

## Chimney barricaded during repairs to Logan Hall

STEPHANIE METZ  
*Assistant Campus News Editor*

Although a barricade has been in place in front of Logan Hall for several weeks, repairs began this past Monday, Oct. 22 to partially rebuild the Logan chimney.

This chimney does not connect to the chemistry fume hoods in Logan, but rather to the boiler that heats the academic mall.

Several weeks ago, Physical Plant noticed that cracks had developed in the chimney’s masonry.

Associate Vice President for Facility Management Bob Sheeran explained that these kinds of cracks are a common form of deterioration in chimneys.

Cracks often develop due to the constant exposure to wind, rain and

other elements over the years.

Furthermore, the chimney’s top stone had also shifted out of place and was no longer properly secured to the building.

The cause of the shift is unknown; however, it has been speculated that the stone shifted because the chimney was struck by lightning.

Physical Plant recognized that the chimney was no longer just a maintenance concern, but was now also a safety issue for anyone walking on the academic mall near Logan.

Therefore, during the week of Oct. 7, Physical Plant erected a barricade to protect anyone walking near the building and stabilized the chimney’s top stone

until it could be repaired.

The chimney needs to be taken down to the roofline and then rebuilt.

In the interim time, Physical Plant considered bids from different companies.

Physical Plant decided to hire Western Restoration, a restoration and preservation construction company based in St. Louis, to perform the chimney repairs.

Western Restoration has begun the repairs, which will take 30 to 45 days to complete.

Physical Plant has not released the estimated costs of these repairs.

The barricade and construction has not obstructed access to the entrance of Logan.



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY ERIKA BREESE  
Work began Oct. 22 to fix the cracked chimney on top of Logan. The area is currently barricaded because of safety concerns.

## BRIEFS

### Diwali tickets

The third annual Diwali show will be held on Nov. 5. Tickets will be on sale in Gallagher all week for \$5. This will include a great show filled with dance, cultural enrichment and a full Indian buffet. Please email southasian-soc@xavier.edu or call Dhvani Mehta at (248) 207-5655 for more information.

### Chamber music

The Chamber Music groups will present their fall offerings on Thursday, Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Long Recital Hall. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$5 for all others. Contact tatmant@xavier.edu or call x3801 for more information.

### Driver training

A van driver training class is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 25 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in Flynn Hall, followed by on-the-road driving time in a 15 passenger van. The training is recommended for students and employees who may be driving a 12 or 15 passenger van in the future. This is a National Safety Council defensive driving program presented by Risk Management and the Cincinnati Insurance Company. To register, please contact Mary Beth Townsley at x2090 or email at townsley@xavier.edu.

### RAK meeting

The Random Acts of Kindness Club has their first meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 10 p.m. at 3717 Ledgewood Ave. They will be discussing Free Hug Day and Reverse Trick-or-Treating. Everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Elizabeth Richer at richerea@xavier.edu for more information.

### Advancing leaders

The fifth Fall Advancing Leaders Series program, sponsored by the Peer Leadership Team will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 4 p.m. in the Clocktower Lounge in the GSC. The session is entitled ‘Asset-Based Leadership’ and attendees will learn how to turn the talents, aptitudes and resources of your community into leadership prowess. ‘Asset-Based Leadership’ will be presented by Pickett Slater-Harrington of Xavier’s Community Building Institute. For more information contact busamla@xavier.edu or call x4879.

### Scholarship meeting

There will be a Fredin Memorial Scholarship meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. on the 10th floor Schott Hall. Everyone is welcome. Previous recipients of the scholarships will share their experiences and answer questions. Contact Margaret McDiarmid at x3406 for more information.

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Molly Fox

## Upcoming SAC Events:

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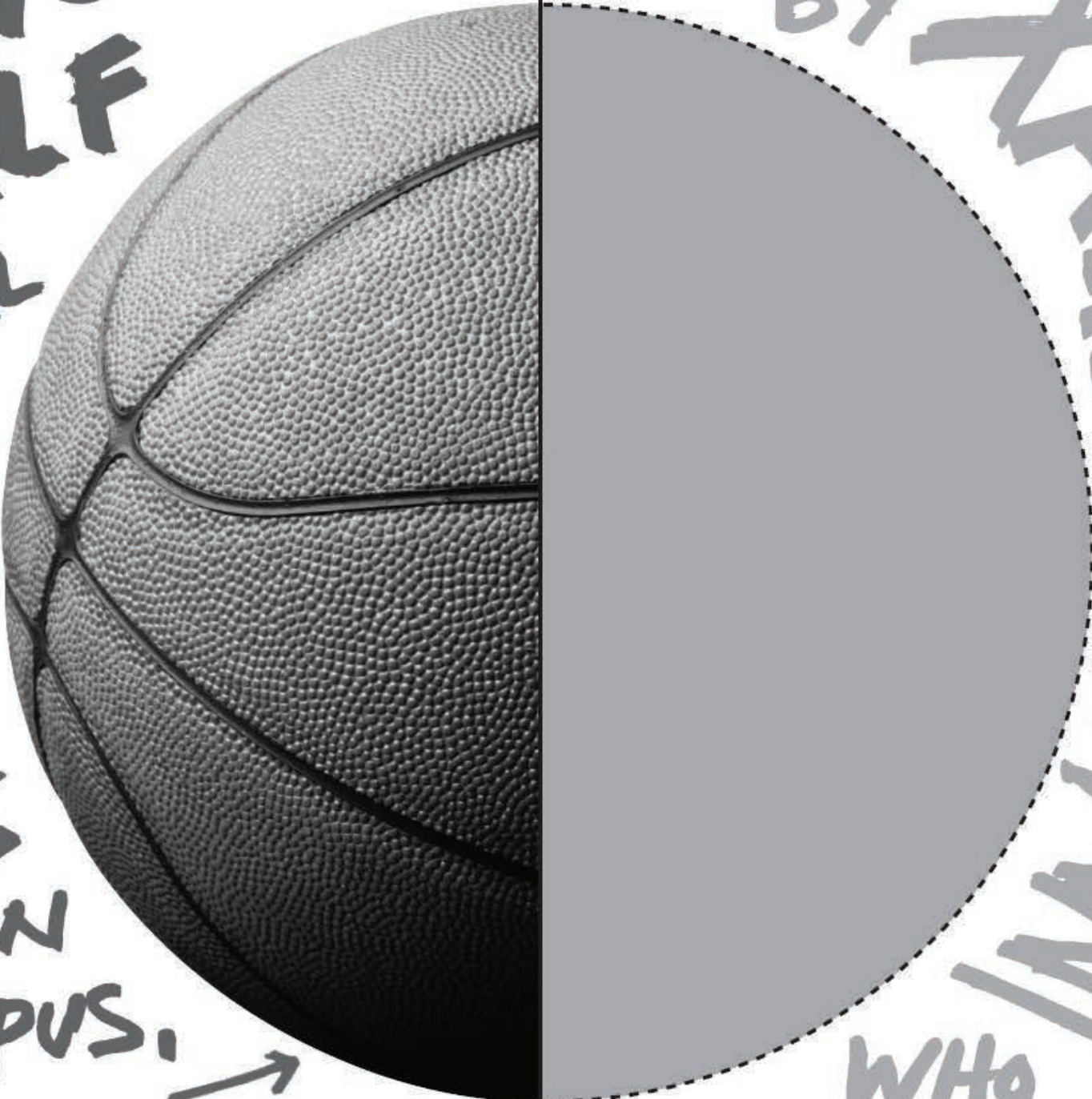
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“What are you going to be for Halloween?”



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Class of '09

“A banana!”



Michael Judge  
Class of '08

“A 1920's gangster, see.”



Craig Scanlon  
Class of '09

“A surgical doctor.”



Destiny Harris  
Class of '09

“I don't celebrate Halloween.”



Joe Freytag  
Class of '10

“Starsky from Starsky and Hutch”



Molly Dalton  
Class of '11

“A pirate.”



Jenna Fugate  
Class of '08

“Catwoman because I get a whip (whip sound).”



Andrew Short  
Class of '10

“I make a mean Michael Vick.”

Food is fun for everyone

For a long time, people who watched the Food Network had to hide their love in a dark, shadowy realm. Watching cooking shows was basically...weird.

Comedian Jim Gaffigan aptly equated the embarrassment of watching the food network to that of watching porn:

“What were you just watching?”

“Uh... the Food Network.”

“Oh...Why are your pants off?” And that was how it was.

But not anymore. Now it seems like almost everyone watches the Food Network. Alton Brown is everyone's favorite dork. Iron Chef is more exciting than the NBA. The ongoing debate in my house seems to be who is cuter: Rachael Ray or Giada De Laurentiis (Rachael, hands down).

So why is food on television getting to be so popular? It's not because Americans are becoming more overweight. Besides, much of what is made on the Food Network is fairly healthy, and many of its culinary pundits promote healthy eating (excluding Paula Deen, who cooks like a grandmotherly mad scientist whose life goal is to make food that induces heart attacks).

But Americans do have an obsession with food. We're learning to embrace the fact that food isn't just something you have to eat to keep you alive.

Food is entertainment, beyond the fact that it smells and tastes good (except in the Caf). It brings people together, gives them something to do and something to talk about later: the same role in our culture as movies or sports.

It is also art. It facilitates as much, if not more, creativity and expression than painting or writing; dinner is like a blank canvas. You can tell more about a person by what they order at a restaurant than what music they listen to. Well, maybe not.

But that's why the Food Network is “gobbling up” ratings like Joey Chestnut at Red Dragon Buffet. They've “fed our appetites” with incredible chefs, entertaining formats and quality production. But the most “delicious” (OK, I'm done) aspect of Food Network is the personalities of their hosts. They're genuinely likable people.

Alton Brown (the host of “Good

Eats”) is hilarious in a way that reminds me of Bill Nye the Science Guy. Rachel Ray has one of those personalities that just forces people to smile. And there's no other way to put this: Iron Chef Bobby Flay is simply The Man.

And then, there is jovial, amiable, legendary, possibly alcoholic Emeril Lagasse. Here's my easy three-step program, How To Cook Like Emeril:

Step 1: Cook food.

Step 2: Add alcohol.

Step 3 (optional): “BAM!”

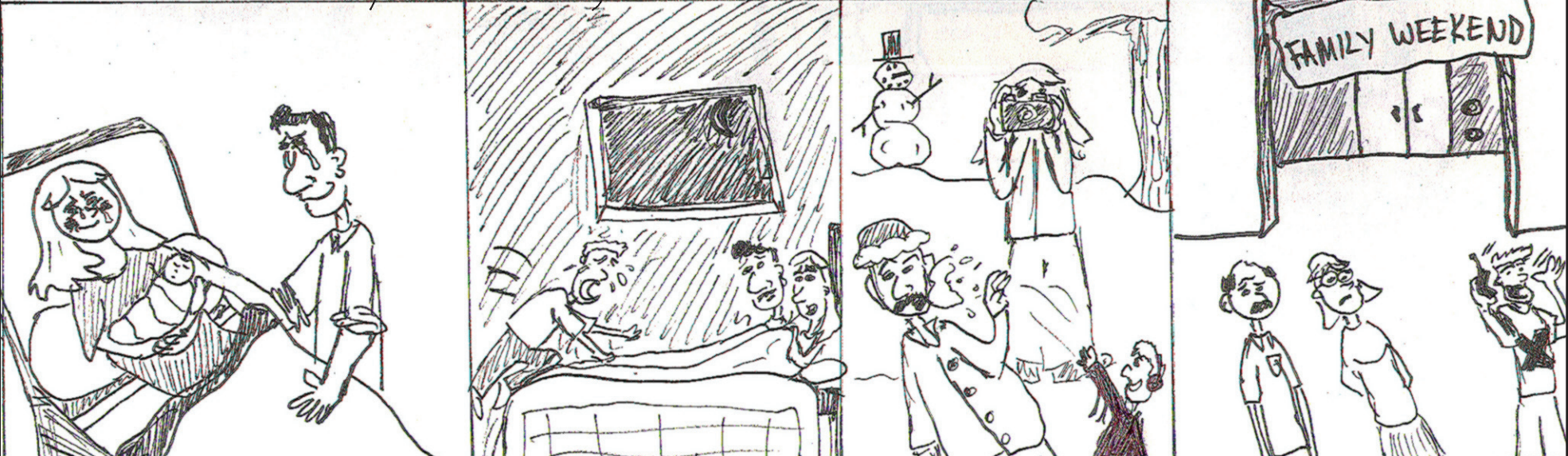
How couldn't you like a guy like that? He cooks on live TV, which is basically unheard of. People literally applaud his use of garlic. He's like the culinary Billy Joel, if Billy Joel had Van Wilder's social skills.

The last great thing about the Food Network is that watching always makes you hungry. Or maybe that's a bad thing, especially considering that in college, you rarely happen to have veal ravioli sitting around to munch on. But the point is, writing about the Food Network is just as bad as watching it, so if you'll excuse me, I'm going to go eat a cubic foot of lasagna.



andrew  
CHESTNUT

SO IT GOES by Matt Kroeger



— the newswire presents —

Arrogant Advice

We at *the Newswire* are experts in a lot of areas, namely in inflating our own egos and name-calling. However, a little known fact is that a vast majority of *the Newswire* staff have Ph.D.s (phony degrees) in Love.

That's right, folks, we can help you with your struggles to find and hold fast the object of your affection.

Of course, to become a doctor in Love, you must first complete undergrad work in the more general area of relationships, so we're pretty much pros with that too.

This week, we present to you the first run of “Arrogant Advice,” a bi-weekly advice column that will address the concerns of you, the reader, and help you make your decisions and move forward out of tricky situations.

Each question will be addressed by both a male and female member of the staff, who will offer their take on the situation, helped out with pointers from their fellow staff members.

We won't be able to get to every question, but we'll do our best to answer yours; just send us an email at [Newswire-Oped@xavier.edu](mailto:Newswire-Oped@xavier.edu). While we plan to focus on dating questions, we'll address roommate, professor or parent problems as well. We're here for you.

Now, since it is the first installment, we don't have any reader-submitted questions. Fortunately, staff members Darren LaCour and Beth Hesse have graciously agreed to address each other's simulated “questions” (they are experts, so they already know the answers).

So we bring you our first installment of “Arrogant Advice:”

DL: Hey Beth, why is every conversation I have with a girl I'm attracted to always so awkward?

BH: It is definitely not an easy thing trying to talk to someone that you are attracted to. On one of my first dates with my boyfriend, I barely said two words and just giggled nervously the entire time. Now he can't get me to stop talking.

It's all about feeling comfortable. The more you talk to someone, the more comfortable you will be around them. Don't worry if you feel awkward at first, chances are the girl is probably trying to think of clever things to say as well. Just keep persisting.

Personally, I like it when the guy takes initiative to try and strike up an intelligent conversation with me. Girls might be intimidating to ap-

proach, but it's worth the time and effort to invest in talking to a girl you really like.

If it helps, try not to put so much pressure on the situation. Don't psych yourself out. Instead pretend you are having a conversation with a friend.

Girls are people too, believe it or not, and we are trying just as hard to maneuver the tricky world of dating and relationships as you are.

Just relax. Even if you don't get a phone number or a date, you have gotten to know someone better and gained more practice and insight for the next time.

But since I'm feeding you all this good advice, Darren, I must ask: Why is it that when a guy loses interest in a girl, he will just stop talking to her instead of telling her he isn't interested anymore?

DL: It's actually pretty simple. Human beings dislike confrontation and being uncomfortable. Telling someone who may be very attracted to you that you are not interested has the potential of being more awkward than grandpa in a Speedo. The other person could break out into a deluge of tears or could erupt into a maddened volcano of rage, and I don't know about you, but that's something I'd rather not ever deal with.

And so we don't. Guys, like the federal government after Hurricane Katrina, decide that the best way to handle the situation is not to handle it at all. They figure that severing contact should send a clear message, but unfortunately, it doesn't. The rejected are usually in denial.

So guys, I challenge you to grow some balls. Be a man. If you lose interest in a girl, let her know. And sure, it will be extremely awkward. But not near as awkward as if she shows up outside your window wondering why you never call her anymore.

And hey girls, you do this too. A lot. So, don't grow balls, but get some gumption.

Open communication is the answer to just about every question anyway.

But Beth, also keep this in mind: Maybe the guy really hasn't lost interest at all. Maybe he's actually really attracted to you, but he also has really terrible breath. So maybe he stopped talking to you so you wouldn't smell his smelly breath.

Well, we're running out of space. Remember to send your questions to [Newswire-Oped@xavier.edu](mailto:Newswire-Oped@xavier.edu) and you too can receive “Arrogant Advice!”



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Swim teams take opening meets



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Sophomore Sam Gray was first in the men's 1,000 yard freestyle

The Xavier men's and women's swim teams both ran away with impressive victories over Valparaiso on Friday night.

The men's team was paced by standout performances from senior Matt Krouse, who took the 100 and 200 yard backstroke races, and freshman John Buckley, who won the 100 and 200 yard breaststroke events.

For the women's side freshman Keri Peglar won the 100 yard backstroke event in a school record time of 59:47 to lead the women to the victory.

Peglar set two school records and four pool records in two meets to earn Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Week and lead the team to a 2-0 start.

Women victorious on Senior Night



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Senior Carissa Gilbert netted a goal in her last home game.

The Xavier women's soccer team sent their seniors off in style with a 2-0 victory over Saint Louis on Sunday.

The seniors left their mark on the high intensity matchup, namely Carissa Gilbert, who closed out her career at the Xavier Soccer Complex with a first half goal, and Anne Finerty, who shared keeper duties with sophomore Kelly Farrell in the the shutout.

The win snapped a four game losing streak and moved the team to 4-12-1 overall, and 3-5-1 in the conference.

Saint Louis was given their first loss in the conference and dropped to 8-4-2, 5-1-2 in the A-10.

The team closes out their season with roadtrips to Fordham and La-Salle this week.

Muskies deal Flyers first loss

Volleyball 'Digs for Cure', buries No. 12 Dayton, 3-1

PAUL MOELLER  
Associate Sports Editor

With plenty to play for and certainly a challenge to play against, the Xavier netters turned in their best performance of the season last Friday night, upending the previously undefeated Dayton Flyers in four games, by the scores of 30-25, 30-13, 21-30 and 30-16.

Prior to Friday evening's contest at Cintas Center, the NCAA only ranked 11 teams in the country to be better at volleyball than the Dayton Flyers.

The wins were there, as the Flyers were 21-0 coming into Friday's match, and the only other team in the nation to boast an undefeated record was No. 1 Nebraska.

The support was there, as multiple Dayton-themed RVs, cars and a coach bus full of students made the trip down I-75 in honor of this battle for Atlantic 10 supremacy.

But something was not there for the Flyers last Friday night: the motivation and drive to defeat their

cross-state arch-rivals.

The Musketeers had just that, in addition to an inspirational fundraising event that saw its culmination in front of 1,249 fans.

Sophomore Kelly Ruth led the way for the Muskies en route to her 11th double-double of the season.

Contributing 18 of Xavier's 79 total digs, Ruth also smashed 15 kills and notched three blocks, including two solo blocks.

For her efforts, she was named the Atlantic 10 Player of the Week for volleyball for the second time this season.

Also playing well for the Musketeers was senior Jill Quayle, who recorded 14 kills, sophomore Lauren Kaminsky, who tallied 15 digs, and senior Jenni Horvath and freshman Katie Russell, who each took credit for 14 digs.

Sophomore Hillary Otte added 11 kills and junior Jen Welsh dished out 46 assists.

The Xavier netters participated in a fundraiser called "Dig for the



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Sophomore Kelly Ruth recorded her 11th double-double of the season against arch-rival Dayton.

Cure" in an effort to raise money and awareness for breast cancer.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation was the beneficiary of money raised through T-shirt and ribbon sales, as well

as through pledges of amounts for every dig that Xavier notched in the contest.

The Musketeers donned complimentary pink uniforms that are currently being auctioned off online to further support their Dig for the Cure efforts.

In addition to pink lines on the court and pink shirts in the stands, there was an electric atmosphere in the arena.

Despite an intimidating presence of over 50 members of Dayton's Red Scare, the Xavier Nation grew in intensity as the match progressed.

The win gave the Musketeers sole possession of first place in the Atlantic 10 West. Their record now stands at 19-6 and is a perfect 9-0 in conference.

Jenn Welsh, Kelly Ruth and Katie Russell had career nights in a 3-2 victory over IPFW on Tuesday, as Xavier extended its current win streak to nine games. They are now 11 of their last 12.

Xavier Nation, familes crazed for 'Madness'

JOHN LAFOLLETTE  
Sports Editor

A family weekend crowd of Xavier faithful found itself in a state of shock last Saturday night in Cintas Center.

Two-time defending champion Derrick Brown botched what surely would have been a contest-winning dunk, securing a win for Jamel Mclean in his first appearance at the Skyline Chili Musketeer Madness Slam Dunk contest.

Brown and Mclean coasted into the finals with a pair of high-flying dunks—Brown leapt from the free throw line to throw down a tomahawk dunk—before a late entry threatened to derail their efforts.

Tudy Reed of the women's team, a 5'11" junior transfer, was announced as a late entry for the contest and came within a few inches of making her three attempted dunks, which would have all but clinched a place for her in the finals.

Word of Reed's participation sent cheers through the crowd and brought her teammates to their feet, while raising questions about why 6'5" sophomore forward Amber Harris, who has a reputation as a skilled dunker, wasn't entering the contest herself.

Still, Reed's attempts fell short, leaving Brown and Mclean to vie for the title. Mclean put the pressure on Brown, nailing a reverse 360. Allotted 30 seconds to top Mclean, Brown tried to pass it to himself off the basket's shot clock, but the ball bounced too far over his head.

Brown bonked his second attempt as well, and was forced to settle for a simple hard slam as his time expired, giving the rookie the title.

The dunk contest was perhaps the most exciting event in an evening loaded with activity. Cool fall weather and free pizza from LaRosa's made the second annual Party on the Plaza a success, and three scrimmages (two for the men's team and one for the women's) gave



At 6'9" and 255 pounds, Jason Love (left, no. 31) is unlikely to draw this charge on an elevating B.J. Raymond, while women's forward Amber Harris is likely to bury floaters like these this season.



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fans a sense of what to expect this season, a full three weeks before the first games are played.

The women's team unveiled a series of new weapons for this season in Reed, Harris, and Ta'Shia Phillips, a 6'6" center from Indianapolis, Ind.

Last year's squad was long on senior leadership and talent in the guards positions, though they lacked much underclassman skill, depth or much of a post-presence beyond Harris.

With the addition of a tall, skilled guard in Reed, as well as a true center with good moves in the post in Phillips, Harris will be much freer to showcase her skills as a slash forward who can shoot, blow by defenders off the dribble

and post up near the basket.

Despite a slow start—they fell behind their male practice squad opponents by a score of 10-2 early in the scrimmage—the women picked up the pace and showed how difficult they will be to defend this season.

The men's scrimmages were a little murkier. This team features seven newcomers, and four of them saw significant minutes during the scrimmages. It was unclear just where many of the players on this team will find roles, partly because of the parity of skill sets that this group has.

There were bright spots, however. Senior guard Drew Lavender had five assists and three steals, indicating that he's eager to pick up

where he left off from last season.

Sophomore Adrien Graves surprised many in attendance with his shooting range, which went largely unnoticed last season in his limited playing time.

Fans would have liked to see senior forward Josh Duncan knock down at least one of his wide-open 3-point shots, or sophomore center Jason Love use his eight-foot wingspan to pull down an offensive rebound or two.

The season is only in its second week, however, and much more remains to be seen before the men's and women's squads tip off in their first games in early November.

Look for *the Newswire's* Basketball Preview Issue on newsstands Nov. 7.



# Fight Night in the ‘Nati

## Zak Woods details UFC’s five-hour takeover of U.S. Bank Arena

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Contributing Sportswriter

U.S. Bank Arena hosted UFC Fight Night 77 last Saturday night. The main event was a middle weight title fight between former champ and Cincinnati native, Rich ‘Ace’ Franklin, and current champ Anderson ‘the Spider’ Silva.

7:51 p.m.: I walked in to U.S. Bank Arena and I have never seen it like this. The place is packed and the main event is still four hours away.

8:08: The ring girls just walked by; they are so hot. I think I may actually try talking to them but if I got up right now I might poke someone.

8:11: Some people claim ultimate fighting isn’t legit and that the only people who like it are white hicks. I tend to disagree, but this guy standing in front of me is ‘Seven’ style overweight with an 80s retro pony/rat tail hybrid. Now I might agree with the doubters.

8:15: Why do I love this sport? Because it reminds of ancient Roman gladiators fighting for honor,

and the opening music sells it home. It is time for the first fight of the night, between Matt Grice and Jason Black!

8:34: Wow, round two just ended and I have no idea how they are scoring this fight. Black took a beating for the first two minutes yet somehow he won the round with several close submission attempts and an end of the round mount where he unleashed hammer fists. This is a strong candidate for Fight of the Night.

8:43: A draw? I have no idea how this happened. How was it scored 28-28? No one was docked a point? That’s just impossible.

8:43: OK, so I guess judge Cecil Peoples can’t count (again) and in fact Grice won.

8:53: Apparently the ring girls have a madam that directs them around and sits with them.

9:15: So, this fighter named Demian Maia just entered to the “Last of the Mohicans” soundtrack. I am officially on his bandwagon.

9:22: And the first stoppage of the evening. Maia just submitted

Ryan Jensen with a rear naked choke. See, good things happen when you listen to good music (I am looking at all you Soulja Boy fans).

9:30: Going with my theme of rooting for fighters with good taste in music, I am cheering for Yushin Okami over Jason MacDonald. My loyalties were given due to Okami entering to the “Kill Bill Volume I” soundtrack.

9:32: I guess there are a lot of Canadians here, because the crowd went nuts for Jason MacDonald. This just reaffirms my cheering for Okami, because who could honestly cheer for a Canadian?

9:43: Some people really are idiots. A guy next to me started yelling “U-S-A!” even though neither of the fighters are from the United States. What the hell?

9:51: Well I am 2-0 when cheering for the fighter with the good entrance music; will this trend continue?

10:00: One of the best parts about being here is that it is basically a rock concert. The UFC just showed one of the greatest highlight reels I’ve ever seen to “Baba O’Riley” by The Who.

10:03: We just went “Live” on PPV. The people here went insane. I am slightly afraid for my life.

10:09: Alan Belcher is entering to “Under Pressure” by Queen with David Bowie. I don’t know how I feel about this song before a fight. Seems like it would have a Dumbledore-like effect.

10:13: A friend of mine just asked what the fighters would be doing without the UFC. After careful thought I think they would be knocking over liquor stores.

10:24: The good music train just keeps on rolling. Alan Belcher defeated Kalib Starnes due to stoppage from medical advice (in layman’s terms a cut).

10:47: Stephan Bonnar from TUF1 (the reality show on Spike) wins his fight and can’t remember where his after party is. See what happens, kiddies, when you use steroids to succeed in sports?

11:23: Sometimes there are good fights, sometimes there are



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY ZAK WOODS

Anderson Silva, left, and Rich Franklin go at it during the weigh-in.

bad fights, and sometimes there are boring fights. This last one was so boring I would have rather watched “Equus.”

11:37: The UFC just announced they signed former WWE star Brock Lesnar (HW). This was probably done to replace the retired (more like ‘resigned’) Randy Couture.

11:45: Brandon Vera vs. Tim Sylvia just started.

11:50: Illegal blow to the head—knock a point for Vera. Vera finishes with a flurry of kicks saying “F-you” to the judge, to the ref and to the love of the crowd.

12:05 a.m.: I guess Vera broke his hand in the first round, but finished the fight. Oh yeah, he lost, and the crowd was none too pleased that Tim Sylvia won.

12:15: MAIN EVENT TIME.

12:16: Hometown fighter Rich Franklin entered to Guns N’ Roses’ “Welcome to the Jungle” (probably for the Bengals fans who haven’t gotten off the bandwagon) and this place erupted!

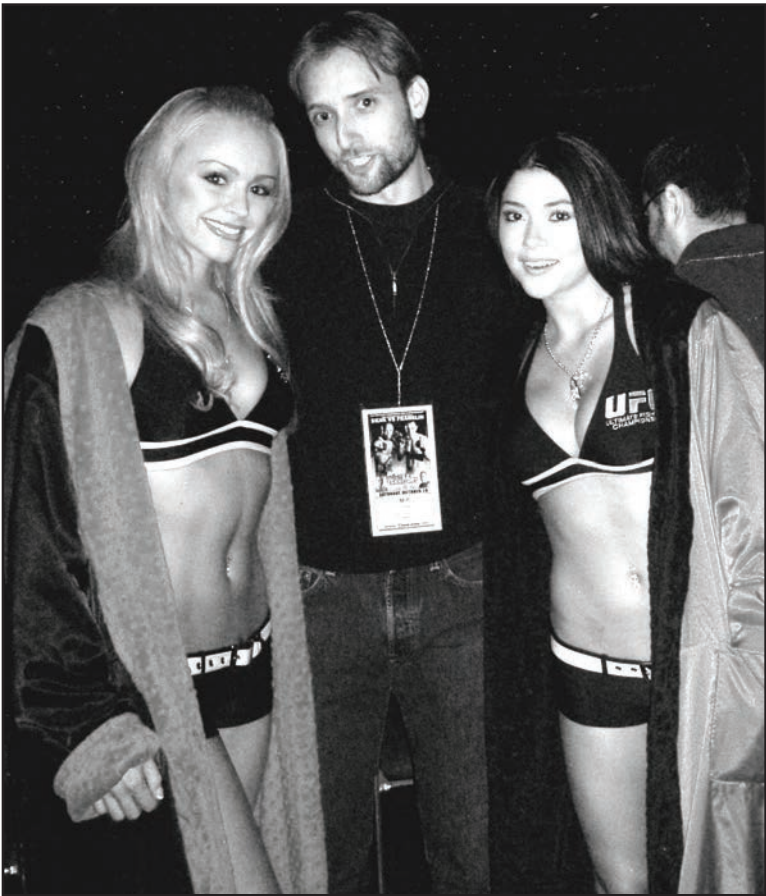
12:23: Well the “U-S-A!” chant is back, but this time it makes sense.

12:24: Now its 19,000 people screaming “Lets go Franklin!” Silva answered with a spinning back kick. And they say he doesn’t speak English.

12:28: Rich Franklin was just saved by the bell. He’d better be praying to the Cincy gods because the whole stadium is behind him and Silva is still kicking his ass.

12:30: Well I guess the Cincinnati sports gods have decided to yield a bad harvest this year. Franklin was just beaten, and his nose is broken “Home Alone 2” style. The only thing different in this fight is that it took an extra minute for Franklin to go down from Silva’s strikes.

12:45: Well, overall the evening was a success. Right now Rich Franklin is off to the hospital to fix his broken nose for the second time in a year. Still, we’ve learned that being at a live UFC fight is unbelievably entertaining.



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY ZAK WOODS

The author worked up the nerve to pose with the “so hot” ring girls.

# Women’s cross country quietly cruising into Conference Championships

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Associate Sports Editor

The Xavier women’s cross country team has compiled a very impressive season as they prepare to compete this week in the Atlantic 10 Championships in Philadelphia.

The team has a 78-25 record, and is rated 5th in the conference by the A-10 coaches.

The season started well, with a third place showing at the Flyer Invitational in Dayton, Ohio.

Senior Becky Clark led the team with a third place finish, along with freshman standout Christina Schneider, who finished fifth.

The Xavier runners then played host for the Queen City Invitational, where they took third place.

Senior Amanda Brown led the team with an eighth place finish, along with strong showings by Clark freshmen Caitlin Thomas

and Schneider.

The strong showing was the first time in school history that the Muskies topped Ohio State.

Next it was off to South Bend, Ind. for the National Catholic Championship where the team earned a second place finish.

Schneider again led the pack with a ninth place finish, and garnered A-10 Rookie of the Week honors.

Clark, Brown and Thomas backed up the impressive freshman with top-25 finishes.

The schedule took the ladies out to the west coast next for the Pepperdine Invitational.

Becky Clark was named A-10 Runner of the Week after she set a school record for the 6k by finishing in 20:46.88 and grabbing fourth place to help lead the Musketeers to a fourth place finish.

Schneider was strong again in

that meet, finishing just seconds behind Clark to take fifth place and earning her a second straight Rookie of the Week award.

The Muskies then competed in the Rob Griak Invitational in St. Paul, Minn., featuring a loaded field that included four of the top 20 teams in the country.

Usual suspects Schneider, Clark and Brown led the team to an 18th place finish.

The Xavier girls then stormed to the front of the pack two weeks later by taking first place at the Hatter Invitational in Deland, Fla.

The Musketeers put five runners in the top 15 as they claimed their first meet victory since the Mike Hodges Invitational in 2005.

The team looks to carry the momentum from that victory into the A-10 meet this Saturday when they will be matched against highly rated Charlotte, Richmond and LaSalle.



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Senior Amanda Brown (left) and junior Becky Clark look to lead the Xavier women’s cross country team into the A-10 Championships.



# Haunted hot spots

by Brandy Williams



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## The Old Dent Haunted School House

Location: 5963 Harrison Ave.  
Cost: \$10 per person. Avoid lines with \$15 Fast Pass.  
Coupons good for \$2 off available at: <http://www.frightsite.com/>  
Dates: Fridays and Saturdays 7:30 p.m. - 12 a.m.  
Sunday 7:30 p.m.-10 p.m.



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## King's Island Fright Fest

King's Island has increased the number of the living dead that roam freely around the park at night and offers over 13 haunted attractions including mazes, fear zones and thriller rides.

Cost: \$20-\$25  
Open until Oct. 31, Fridays and Saturdays  
7 p.m.-1 a.m.

A true story inspired this haunted house. In the late 1940s and '50s more than 20 Dent Public School children went missing and their decaying bodies were later found in the school's basement. It is believed that they were murdered by the school's janitor who has never been found. The school is said to be haunted with the spirits of the dead children. Walk through and see for yourself.

## USS Nightmare

In its 16th season, the USS Nightmare truly lives up to its name. Located at Newport on the Levee, the haunted ship features a 30 to 40 minute bone chilling tour, with new special effects and the promise to be scarier than ever before.

Cost: \$14  
Dates: Open until Oct. 31  
Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays 7-11 p.m.  
Fridays and Saturdays 7p.m.-1 a.m.



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# Fortune favors “Aida”

EMILY HOFERER

Arts & Entertainment Editor

The Xavier Players took a leap of faith this past weekend with the musical production of “Aida.”

The play starts with a video of two people meeting in a museum, and then transitions to ancient Egypt. Here we are introduced to Radames, played by senior Kevin Hoggatt. He has put off his engagement to Princess Amneris, played by sophomore Michelle Anguiano, for nine years.

All is going well for the couple until Radames meets the Nubian princess Aida, played by junior Deja Tibbs. Instantly there is a connection. Radames saves her and the women she was captured with from working in the mines. Instead he gives them jobs in the palace. He gives Aida as a gift to Amneris.

Aida bonds with Amneris over the pressures of royalty. She also befriends Mereb, played by senior Derek Brinkley, a Nubian who has been working in the palace for a long time. When Mereb discovers that she is a princess, he takes her to the Nubian camp to see her people.

Radames begins to spend less time with Amneris, and more time with Aida. They soon fall in love. Tibbs and Hoggatt do a great job with Aida and Radames’ most notable song “Elaborate Lives.”

Aida and Radames’ quick euphoria is interrupted by the news



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Tibbs, Brinkley and Hoggatt sang their hearts out in “Aida” in front of packed audiences

of the capture of the Nubian king Amonasro, played by gospel director Jerome Johnson. Aida is overwhelmed with concern for her father and fears for her own life, as the soldiers are after her.

Radames and Aida agree that it is better that they part. Aida will flee on a boat provided by Radames during his wedding to Amneris. Amneris overhears the loving sentiments between Aida and Radames during their goodbye and now knows why her fiancé has been so distant.

The wedding between Amneris and Radames is interrupted with news of Amonasro’s escape. He

and the other Nubians manage to flee, but Aida chooses to stay behind and is caught. Aida and Radames are punished and sent to be buried alive in the Egyptian sand.

The four lead characters were all cast very well, although I enjoyed Mereb the most. They did a great job with numbers like “Not Me,” “My Strongest Suit” and “Dance of the Robe.” But the best number in the entire play was “The Gods Love Nubia.”

The Xavier Players partnered with the Office of Multicultural Affairs for the production and enlisted the help of a great band and set designer. My only complaint

was that the costumes were a little bland.

I did not leave the theater completely ecstatic about the play. There were some awkward transitions and the singers were not enunciating at times. However, I had the music stuck in my head for days after the play. To me, that is the true sign of a successful musical.

### Aida

**Starring:** Deja Tibbs, Kevin Hoggatt

**Newswire Official Rating:**

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# Writers on strike

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Contributing Writer

New episodes of your favorite TV shows could be cut short this season and some of next summer’s movies might be delayed.

Since July, the Writers Guild of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers having been trying to reach a new agreement before their current contract expires on Oct. 31.

Their recent talks have yielded very little progress because the guild is demanding greater compensation for writers’ work that is distributed through the Internet and other digital platforms. However TV and film studios want to withhold any residual payments until they’ve recovered production, development, distribution and marketing costs.

During early negotiations, it seemed that Hollywood writers would continue to work out of goodwill in hopes that it would help their cause but it looks less likely that AMPTP will budge on this issue.

If they cannot come to a mutual agreement by next Wednesday, the guild’s members have already au-



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Who doesn’t love a good protest?

thorized a strike, which would no doubt create chaos in Tinseltown.

The last writers strike occurred in 1988 and lasted six months, costing the industry almost \$500 million. If a strike does occur on Nov. 1, it won’t likely affect the viewing public until about mid-January when new episodes will run out.

Studios normally begin filming new seasons of their shows long

before its premiere so they are ahead of schedule. While some popular TV shows such as “Grey’s Anatomy” and “CSI” may survive this strike, it would be bad news for TV shows in their first season who are still trying to find their loyal audience.

Networks will most likely be forced to air reruns of their shows, viewers will see a dramatic increase in reality TV programming. The

guild’s contract does not cover reality TV writers, therefore shows like “American Idol” and “The Amazing Race” would continue to air their new seasons without problems.

Networks have been preparing for this looming strike by hoarding scripts and fast tracking a lot of their projects. There are more than 300 “pre-strike” films circulating through various talent agencies and networks are already ordering new scripted series to avoid saturating primetime television with reality and game shows.

How would your favorite A-list celebrities survive a Hollywood shutdown? While many of them may use this opportunity to take time off, they will probably head to Broadway for temporary work or find other hobbies to occupy their time.

It may be wise for some of us avid TV watchers to finish that book we brushed aside or finally hit the gym after all these months because turning on the tube may no longer be an option, unless you’re entertained by three hours of “Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?”

# BRIEFS

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## Classic College Movie

Enjoy movies from the past? Travel back in time with the GSC Classic College Movie as they present “Tommy Boy.” Show times are at 11 p.m. on Thursday, Oct 25 and Friday Oct. 26 in the GSC theatre. The movie is free to XU students.

## Auditions

“Snow Queen,” this year’s holiday show directed by Irini Lewandoski, European artist and puppeteer, is looking for wacky, zany and energetic actors. Prepare a one to two minute comedic monologue and be prepared to do cold readings portraying multiple characters. Also, if you have any special skills or talents (skateboarding, gymnastics, rollerblading, back flips) or any unique way to move, be sure to show it. Auditions at 7 p.m. Oct. 24-25 in the GSC theatre.

## Pumpkin carving contest

Come to Ryan’s Pub and see who on campus has the best pumpkin carving skills. At 7 p.m. on Wed. Oct. 24 what as the contestants go head to head as they are given one hour to compete. Prizes will be awarded for the sacriest pumpkin carved and the most creatively carved pumpkin.

## Bowling with the SGRhos

Join the SGRhos from 11 p.m. -1 a.m. at Stone Lanes Friday, October 26 for bowling. They will be accepting non-perishable donation items for the Freestore Foodbank in Cincinnati. Bowling cost is \$4 with food or \$5 with-out food. The SGRhos will have a sign up sheet-in OMA from 1-2 p.m. daily. Come and let the good times roll.

## Live Wires

Saturday, Oct.27  
**Gov’t Mule**  
@ Madison Theatre

Thursday, Oct. 25  
**Jonathan Broke**  
@ 20th century Theater

Saturday, Oct. 27  
**Saosin**  
@ Bogarts

Sunday, Oct. 28  
**Pat Monahan of “Train”**  
@ Madison Theater

## New Releases

The following discs are due for release on or after October 23..

**Carrie Underwood** *Carnival Ride* (Arista) ... **Emmy Rossum** *Inside Out* (Geffen Records) ... **Rissi Palmer** *Rissi Palmer* (1720 ENT. LLC) ... **Shooter Jennings** *The Wolf* (Universal South Records).  
...All dates are tentative.





WEDNESDAY

October 24

Two things have inspired this week's edition of Calendar City:

1. Halloween

2. The ghost that lives in the women's restroom on the first floor of Gallagher that makes the automatic water turn on without anyone near it to set off the sensor.

Because I love Halloween and ghosts, I shall fill this Calendar City with all true ghost stories from beyond the graaaaaaaave.

(There may be occasional points where I make the vooooooowels longer to add emphasiiiiiiiis and make the story scarieeeeeer. Ooooooooooh!)

Our first true tale comes from this very campus. There once was a boy named Saaaaaammy who courted a lass named Holly. Sammy loved going to Homeeeeecoming at Xaaaaavier and never missed an eeeeeeevent.

In fact, he went to so many student events that it is rumored he still attends every event even today. If you want to find out, you should purchase a ticket to go to the Hooooomecoming Daaaaance. The tickets go on sale today.

You see, Sammyyyy loved visiting Holly in her home, the future site of Buuuuenger Hall. At the time, it was just a one room shack filled with books and pocket protectors, but he could see the glory that building would become.

In fact, Sammy was quite talenteeeeeeeed at many things, including badmitton, the foxtrot and foretelling the future. That is, until that one fateful day...

THURSDAY

October 25

Saaaaaaammy was attempting to cross Dana Avenue from his quaint apartment in the Village. In those days, Dana Avenue was much more dangerous than it is today. Back then, you see, the street was made of cobblestone and the traffic consisted of horses and buggies.

As Saaaaaammy stepped across Dana to get to an area that would later become Xavier University's liiiibrary, he stepped in a big pile of horse poo, had an allergic reaction, contracted the flu and died shortly thereafter.

Today, it is said that when the traffic dies down on Dana Avenue, you can sometimes hear a man cursing to himself in the breeze.

FRIDAY

October 26

This holding down of vowels just makes it look like I fell asleep at various times while typing this column rather than making these tales the least bit frightening.

Ooooooooooooooh well.

Tonight, the movie "Tommy Boy" will play in the Gallagher Student Center Theatre at 11 p.m.

I go simply for the fat guy dancing in a little coat. It kills me every time. Fat guy in a little coat! Ha!

THURSDAY

October 25



If you Google Image Search "Drunk Elephants," you get this picture.

Speaking of killing, shall I divulge the tale of the axe murderer named Trixie who ended her corrupt ways by falling for her true love only to have her life ended in a freak accident involving a frappuccino, 10 gallons of potato peelings and a permanent marker?

Nah, that's way too boring.

Instead, I shall tell the tale of the monkey and his evil doppelganger.

I know what you're thinking. Monkeys can't have doppelgangers. That's incorrect. Anybody can have a doppelganger. Even doppelgangers!

I know what you're thinking now...doppelganger is a pretty hilarious word. You are right abo ut that. It is hilarious. Hence why I keep retying it. It makes me giggle.

Anyway, there was the monkey who had a doppelganger and the doppelganger found his monkey counterpart, slapped him in the face with a glove thereby challenging him to a duel. The two dueled and one of them died. The end.

SATURDAY

October 27

Perhaps the last story was unsatisfactory to you. That's because I got distracted and looked something up on the internet, only to see a story that is so hilarious I couldn't have dreamed of making it up.

It's tragic, too, of course...but mostly hilarious.

In India this past week, there were several elephants that went to a village looking for food, found tubs of rice beer that farmers allow to ferment, drank the aforementioned tubs, got drunk and went on a drunken rampage.

Part of the "drunken rampage" included uprooting a utility pole. Six of them were electrocuted. I wish I was making this up.

SUNDAY

October 28

I realize by now, with the numerous stories I have told time and time again throughout our weeks and years together, you have no reason to believe that Indian elephants got drunk and tore up a utility pole. I strongly urge you doubters to look up the event online because you will find the same sources I did. It's too hilarious. I can't believe it myself. I want to meet the surviving elephants and buy them a drink.

MONDAY

October 29

My mind is so distracted by visions of elephants playing flip-cup, beer pong and other drinking games that I can hardly re-enter the fantasy land I usually reside in while writing this column. Right now, reality is a lot more entertaining than anything I could come up with.

There will be a Xavier Club Football game at Shea Stadium in Norwood at 7 p.m. tonight.

I may go. Then again, I may get some ice cream from the vending machines from Gallagher that are back again.

I missed having ice cream. Now there's one more excuse not to go to the gym. Walking up and down the steps at GSC will be plenty of exercise.

Believe me...it will all balance out. If you believe in yourself, anything is possible. Believe that eating a pint of ice cream every day will help you lose weight, and lose weight you shall. It's science.

TUESDAY

October 30

Today marks the eve of All Hallows Eve and I tell ya I couldn't be more excited. I would literally need to change my pants if I were more excited. There is nothing more exiting than the excitement of All Hallows Eve.

It's so all and hallow-y and eve-y. I just can't think of how to describe it better than that. I'm glad I'm ending this week so creatively with so much to say! So excited! So creative! So All Hallows Eve-y!



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